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1. Official propaganda has declared that the frontier area in the district of Ketrzyn (Rastenburg), province of Olsztyn (Allenstein), has been completely cleared of mines and that "private farms" have been erected there.
2. [REDACTED] this propaganda is false. Only a part of this area has been cleared of mines and military farms (wojskowe gospodarstwo rolne) have been erected and not private peasant farms. Soldiers who have been sentenced to long terms in penal detachments work and live on these military farms. It is very difficult to escape from the military farms because of the number of mine fields in the area.

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